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RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

This is a response to the Election Requirement mailed on November 28, 2003.

REMARKS

Summary

The Examiner has required, pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 121, an election between the following species:

Species I corresponding to Figure 2, Path 1; Species II corresponding to Figure 2, Path 2; Species III corresponding to Figure 2, Path 3; and

Species IV corresponding to Figure 2, Path 4.

Applicants hereby elect Species I, corresponding to Figure